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ANNUAL REPORTS
of the
Town of Bedford
New Hampshire



For the Year Ending
January 31, 1927

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk and
Appraisal of Real Estate

OF THE

Town of Bedford

WITH

Reports of the School Board and Public
Library Trustees

ALSO

Reports of Trustees of Trust Funds
and Trustees of Cemeteries

FOR THE

Year Ending January 31, 1927

THE CLARKE PRESS

MANCHESTER, N. H.

1927

TOWN OFFICERS.

Moderator.

WILLIAM MELENDY.

*Selectmen.*PERHAM PARKER. RALPH M. WIGGIN.
HARRY W. PEASLEE.*School Board.*HAROLD WONSON. A. JOHN McKELVIE.
BERTHA E. FRENCH.*Town Treasurer.*

ERVIN R. FRENCH.

Town Clerk.

MARTHA F. WIGGIN.

Tax Collector.

GEORGE D. SOPER.

*Road Agents.*GUSTAVE PEARSON. CHARLES A. TARR.
ERNEST K. WHEELER.*Town Auditors.*

HENRY A. BLOOD. WALTER S. MELENDY.

Supervisors of Checklist.

EDWARD E. SCHNEIDER. THOMAS E. BARR.
C. OSMAN CLAPP.

Health Officer.

LYMAN M. KINSON.

Police.

HARRY D. HILCHEY. JOSEPH LAMSON.

Fire Warden.

HARRY D. HILCHEY.

Trustees of the Trust Funds.

CHARLES F. SHEPARD, Term Expires 1927.
GEORGE H. WIGGIN, Term Expires 1928.
EDMUND B. HULL, Term Expires 1929.

Library Trustees.

LOUIS GAULT, Term Expires 1927.
ALLEN F. KING, Term Expires 1928.
WILLIAM B. FRENCH, Term Expires 1929.

Cemetery Trustees.

CHARLES P. FARLEY, Term Expires 1927.
LOUIS GAULT, Term Expires 1928.
EDDY L. CONNER, Term Expires 1929.

Representative to General Court.

RHODA J. CURRIE.

TOWN WARRANT.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford, in the County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

[L. S.]

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at 10 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article I. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Art. II. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for same.

Art. III. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of the poor, for Memorial Day, and for any other necessary expenses of the Town.

Art. IV. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount on early payment of taxes and, if so, to fix the time and rate.

Art. V. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Dollars for the care of the clock on the church.

Art. VI. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars for the care of the New Cemetery.

Art. VII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Dollars for the care of Joppa Cemetery.

Art. VIII. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money, if needed.

Art. IX. To see if the Town will vote to pay for the bonds required by town officers.

Art. X. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate sufficient money to maintain electric lights for the ensuing year.

Art. XI. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for the purpose of co-operating with the State and Federal Government in Control of the White Pine Rust or act in the relation thereto.

Art. XII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 more than is required by law for the town library.

Art. XIII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10.00 for the care of the Old Cemetery on the Back River Road.

Art. XIV. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10.00 for the care of the South Cemetery on the Beals' road.

Art. XV. To see what action the Town wishes to take in regard to the Fire Whistle.

Art. XVI. To see if the Town will vote to celebrate Old Home Week and, if so, to raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. XVII. To see if the Town will vote to buy a typewriter for the library.

Art. XVIII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum sufficient to maintain two hydrants on Worthley Road providing city water is installed.

Art. XIX. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to be used in acquiring a tract of land for forest improvement.

Art. XX. To see if the Town will vote to relinquish its claims to that part of the Baboosic road which has been abandoned in building the new state road, and return the same to the owners.

Art. XXI. To see if the Town will vote to approve the recommendation of the Soldiers' Memorial committee and raise and appropriate money for a soldiers' memorial.

Art. XXII. To see if the Town will vote to accept three hundred (\$300.00) dollar in trust from the Estate of the late Lucy B. Savage the interest to be expended for the care of the Thomas Savage lot in which her husband is buried in the Old Cemetery.

Art. XXIII. To see if the Town will vote to accept One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in trust contributed by Albert C. Parker, Harriett C. Parker and Carrie C. Ordway, the interest to be used to put what is known as the Laura E. Cutter lot in Bedford Cemetery under perpetual care.

Art. XXIV. To see if the Town will vote to accept Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) in trust from James L. Mitchel, the interest to be expended on his lot in the new Cemetery.

Art. XXV. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to purchase some type of truck or tractor equipped with snow plows, and to raise an appropriate money for the same.

Art. XXVI. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6000.00 for Trunk Line Maintenance, the state to furnish \$6000.00.

Art. XXVII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,725.00 for State Aid Maintenance, the state to furnish \$1,725.00.

Art. XXVIII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,966.50 and the state give \$1,474.50 for State Aid Construction.

Art. XXIX. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for oiling a section of the north Amherst road.

Art. XXX. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for changing over kitchen and removing desk in lower hall.

Art. XXXI. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum \$4,000.00 which was borrowed to complete the 101 Trunk Line road.

Art. XXXII. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for surveying and grading the new Cemetery.

Art. XXXIII. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors' Committees and all other officers heretofore chosen, and transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

PERHAM PARKER,
RALPH M. WIGGIN,
HARRY W. PEASLEE,
Selectmen of Bedford.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

PERHAM PARKER,
RALPH M. WIGGIN,
HARRY W. PEASLEE,
Selectmen of Bedford.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year,
Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year,

SOURCES OF REVENUE.	Actual revenue previous year, 1923.	Estimated revenue ensuing year, 1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
FROM STATE:				
Insurance Tax	\$18.75	\$18.75	.....	.....
Railroad Tax	929.72	900.00	.....	\$29.72
Savings Bank Tax	2,124.66	2,124.66	.....	.....
For Fighting Forest Fires	69.03	100.00	\$30.97	.....
For Highways:				
For State Aid Maintenance....	250.00	1,725.00	1,475.00	.....
For Trunk Line Maintenance..	4,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00	.....
Interest and Dividend Tax.....	190.03	190.03	.....	.....
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:				
All Licenses and Permits except Dog Licenses	1,852.54	1,800.00	.....	52.54
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	330.00	300.00	.....	30.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	227.55	227.55	.....	..
FROM POLL TAXES				
From other taxes except property taxes—	23.00	23.00	.....	.....
National Bank Stock.....	23.00	23.00	.....	.....
REVENUE APPLICABLE ONLY TO NEW CONSTRUCTION AND IMPROVEMENTS:				
From State—				
For State Aid Highway Construction .....	.....	1,474.50	1,474.50	.....
For Trunk Line Highway Construction	14,288.43	.....	.....	14,288.43
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes	4,000.00	8,000.00	4,000.00	.....
REVENUE WHICH MUST BE PAID TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:				
Dog money	393.87	393.87	.....	.....
TOTAL REVENUES (from all sources except Property Taxes)				
Amount Raised by Property Taxes.	\$29,987.58	\$24,567.36	.....	.....
Amount Raised by Property Taxes.	35,966.89	\$41,702.40	.....	.....
TOTAL REVENUES				
	\$65,954.47	\$65,269.76	\$8,980.47	\$14,400.69

BEDFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

January 31, 1927, to January 31, 1928, Compared with Actual
 January 31, 1926, to January 31, 1927.

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES.	Actual	Estimated	Increase.	Decrease.
	expenditures previous year, 1926.	expenditures ensuing year, 1927.		
CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:				
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries.....	\$1,098.00	\$1,100.00	\$2.00	.....
Town Officers' Expenses.....	150.11	150.00	.....	\$0.11
Election and Registration Expenses.....	266.50	100.00	.....	166.50
Care and Supplies for Town Hall.....	790.56	700.00	.....	90.56
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department.....	379.10	400.00	20.90	.....
Fire Department.....	921.05	700.00	.....	221.05
Health:				
Health Department.....	47.61	50.00	2.39	.....
Vital Statistics.....	14.75	15.00	.25	.....
Highway and Bridges:				
State Aid Maintenance—				
State's Contribution.....	3,871.32	1,725.00	.....	2,146.32
Town's Contribution.....	3,812.78	1,725.00	.....	2,087.78
Trunk Line Maintenance—				
State's Contribution.....	4,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00	.....
Town's Contribution.....	4,000.00	6,000.00	2,000.00	.....
Town Maintenance.....	8,306.21	7,000.00	.....	1,306.21
Street Lighting.....	607.92	675.00	67.08	.....
General Expense of Highway Department.....	8,306.21	8,500.00	193.79	.....
Education:				
Libraries.....	125.36	125.36	.....	.....
Charities:				
Town Poor.....	70.59	70.59	.....	.....
Patriotic Purposes:				
Memorial Day and other Celebrations.....	9.80	10.00	.20	.....
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemeteries.....	140.70	150.00	9.30	.....
INTEREST:				
On Long Term Notes.....	717.79	800.00	86.21	.....
OUTLAY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS:				
Highways and Bridges—				
State Aid Construction:				
State's Contribution.....	.....	1,474.50	1,474.50	.....
Town's Contribution.....	.....	1,966.50	1,966.50	.....
Trunk Line Construction—				
State's Contribution.....	19,186.77	.....	.....	19,186.77
Town's Contribution.....	9,593.39	.....	.....	9,593.39
INDEBTEDNESS:				
Payment on Principal of Debt:				
Long Term Notes.....	8,000.00	4,000.00	.....	4,000.00
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS:				
State Taxes.....	3,330.00	3,330.00	.....	.....
County Taxes.....	2,502.81	2,502.81	.....	.....
Payments to School Districts.....	16,207.37	16,000.00	.....	207.37
TOTAL EXPENDITURES ...	\$96,456.70	\$65,269.76	\$7,823.12	\$39,006.06

VALUATION.

Improved and unimproved land and buildings	\$1,181,450.00
Horses, 313	24,715.00
Mules, 1	50.00
Cows, 744	48,265.00
Other Neat Stock, 62	2,300.00
Sheep, 5	55.00
Hogs, 8	115.00
Fowls, 5,750	7,211.00
Vehicles, 50	2,775.00
Portable Mills, 11	1,375.00
Wood and Lumber	23,090.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	3,200.00
Stock in Trade	12,300.00
Tractors	1,125.00
Mills and Machinery	3,100.00
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	\$1,311,126.00

NUMBER OF POLLS.

635	\$1,270.00
Amount exempt to soldiers	\$14,645.00

AMOUNT OF TAXES AND RATES.

Total amount of taxes committed to collector..	\$37,279.89
School Rate	\$1.28
Town Rate	1.51
Total Rate	\$2.79

ASSESSMENTS.

Town charges	\$2,000.00
Memorial Day	10.00
Care of clock	15.00
New cemetery	100.00
Joppa cemetery	15.00
Electric lights	700.00
Public library	125.36
Old cemetery	15.00
Beals cemetery	15.00
Trunk line construction	4,000.00
Trunk line maintenance	4,000.00
State aid maintenance	250.00
New cemetery land	500.00
Highway tax	3,314.43
Repairs on hearse house	100.00
State tax	3,330.00
County tax	2,502.81

	\$20,992.60

ORDERS DRAWN.

Town Officers' salaries	\$1,098.00
Town Officers' expense	150.11
Election expense	266.50
Miscellaneous expense	640.20
Burleigh cemetery expense	643.00
Electric lights	607.92
County tax	2,502.81
State tax	3,330.00
Automobile permits	114.50
Cemetery expense	140.70
Damage by dogs	9.00
Town hall expense	790.56
County poor	750.20
Town poor	70.59
Breaking roads	3,452.06
Trunk line construction	23,901.32
Trunk line maintenance	3,812.78
Unimproved trunk line maintenance	357.26
State aid maintenance	924.80
General highway expense	4,854.15
School money	16,207.37
Fire Department	921.05
Vital Statistics	14.75
Board of Health	47.61
Police Department	379.10
Memorial Day	9.80
Public library	125.36
Interest and notes	8,717.79
Abatements	801.18
Taxes bid in by Town	476.93
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	\$76,117.35

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

1926 Paid—

Mar.	11.	Ralph M. Wiggin, services as Town Clerk 1925-1926	\$50.00
	11.	Ralph M. Wiggin, services as First selectman, 1925	300.00
	11.	Ora G. Kilton, services as Auditor, 1924	4.00
	11.	Perham Parker, services as Second Selectman, 1925	200.00
	27.	F. E. Manning, services as Third Selectmen, 1925	170.00
May	1.	Harry D. Hilchey, services as Supervisor	5.00
June	1.	Walter S. Melendy, services as Auditor, 1925	4.00
	1.	William S. Melendy, services as Moderator, 1925	5.00
Aug.	2.	E. B. Hull, services as moderator, 1925	5.00
1927 Paid—			
Jan.	31.	Geo. D. Soper, services as Tax Collector, 1925	300.00
	31.	Ervin R. French, services as Town Treasurer, 1925	55.00
			\$1,098.00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES.

1926 Paid—

Mar.	11.	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone	\$.05
April	1.	Edson C. Eastman, supplies for clerk	4.14
May	1.	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone	1.05
	3.	G. Allen Putnam, bonds for clerk and road agents	12.50
	17.	William G. Berry, bonds for treasurer	15.00
June	1.	Geo. G. Soper, attending assessors' meeting	5.00
July	1.	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone .....	.35
	1.	Edson C. Eastman Co., tax book for collector	8.25
	1.	Timothy F. O'Connor, legal services	10.00
Aug.	2.	A. W. Rowell, dues in N. H. Assessors Assn.	2.00
Sept.	1.	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone .....	.30
Oct.	1.	Edson C. Eastman Co., clerks cash book	12.75
	1.	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone .....	.30
	1.	Amoskeag Saving Bank, rent on safety vault	2.00
Nov.	1.	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone .....	.20
	22.	A. Stratton Co., printing order books	4.50

1927 Paid—

Jan.	1.	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., use of telephone .....	.85
	1.	Martha F. Wiggin, automobile manual	3.18

Jan.	1.	Perham Parker, attending assessors' meeting	10.00
	1.	H. W. Peaslee, attending assessors meeting	10.00
	1.	Martha F. Wiggin, stationery and supplies	10.84
	31.	H. W. Peaslee, postage supplies	2.25
	31.	Perham Parker, postage supplies ...	14.60
	31.	Geo. R. Soper, attending collectors meeting	10.00
	31.	Ralph M. Wiggin, attending assessors' meeting	10.00

			\$150.11

ELECTION EXPENSE.

Mar.	1.	A. H. Holbrook, services as ballot clerk 1920 to 1926	\$45.00
Nov.	1.	Geo. H. Hardy, services at election Sept. 7, 1927	5.00
Dec.	1.	The Ruemely Press, printing check lists	40.00
	1.	T. E. Barr, services as ballot clerk 1926	46.00
	1.	A. N. Hodgman, services as ballot inspector, 1926	10.00
	21.	C. Harry Gage, services as ballot inspector, 1926	10.00

1927 Paid—

Jan.	1.	Ben Clement, special officer	5.00
	1.	Geo. D. Soper, services as ballot clerk, 1926	10.00
	1.	Wm. Melendy, services as moderator Sept. and Nov. election	10.00
	1.	George H. Hardy, special officer	5.00

Jan.	1.	Ed. E. Schneider, services as supervisor, 1926	58.50
	31.	Osman Clapp, services as supervisor, 1926	22.00
			—————
			\$266.50

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE.

1926 Paid—

Mar.	11.	The Clark Press, printing town reports	192.00
May	17.	F. W. French, supplies for hearse house	141.35
Aug.	2.	Geo. H. Hardy, services as fence viewer	4.50
Nov.	1.	Geo. H. Hardy, services as fence viewer	4.00
	1.	Chas. F. Shepard, care of clock	15.00
Dec.	21.	A. P. Fosher, lumber and supplies for for snow fence	129.00
	28.	Goodman Book Store, bill file	1.25

1927 Paid—

Jan.	1.	J. B. Varick Co., supplies for high way dept.	7.70
	13.	F. W. French, care of scales 1925-26	40.00
	29.	Burrough Adding Machine Co., adding machine	98.00
	31.	H. E. Netsch, repairs on snowplow ..	4.90
	31.	Ralph M. Wiggin, aid to tramps	2.00
			—————
			\$640.20

BURLEIGH CEMETERY EXPENSE.

Nov.	1.	Gay & Doust, surveying for cemetery	\$23.00
Dec.	14.	Jennie W. Burleigh, land for new cemetery	600.00
	27.	Tuttle, Wyman and Starr, recording deed, new cemetery	2.00
1927 Paid—			
Jan.	1.	Gay & Doust, surveying for cemetery	18.00
			—————
			\$643.00

ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Mar.	11.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for February	\$50.66
April	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for March	50.66
May	1.	Manchester T. L. & P. Co., street lighting for April	50.66
June	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for May	50.66
July	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for June	50.66
Aug.	2.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for July	50.66
Sept.	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for August	50.66
	23.	Manchester T., L. & P., Co., street lighting for September	50.66
Nov.	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for October	50.66
Dec.	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for November	50.66

Jan.	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for Dec.	50.66
	29.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., street lighting for January	50.66
			<hr/> \$607.92

COUNTY TAX.

Dec.	7.	James H. Shelton, county tax	\$2,502.81
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STATE TAX.

Dec.	7.	Henry E. Chamberlin, State tax	\$3,330.00
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AUTOMOBILE PERMITS.

June	1.	R. M. Wiggin, issuing automobile permits	\$11.25
	1.	Martha F. Wiggin, issuing automobile permits	23.00
Nov.	1.	Martha F. Wiggin, issuing automobile permits	21.00
Jan.	31.	Martha F. Wiggin, issuing automobile permits	59.25
			<hr/> \$114.50

CEMETERY EXPENSE.

May	3.	H. W. Peaslee, labor Joppa cemetery, 1925	8.20
Sept.	1.	L. M. Kinson, labor and money paid out, Beals' Cemetery and Old Cemetery	27.50
Dec.	1.	E. L. Conner, care of New Cemetery	100.00
Jan.	31.	H. W. Peaslee, labor Joppa Cemetery, 1926	5.00
			<hr/> \$140.70

DAMAGE BY DOGS.

Dec.	1.	O. G. Kilton, hens killed by dogs	\$9.00
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TOWN HALL EXPENSES.

	196	Paid—	
Mar.	11.	John H. Stevens, supplies for hall	\$5.59
	11.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., lights for month of February	6.00
	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., lights for March	10.32
May	3.	Wm. S. Manning, insurance on town hall	60.00
	17.	Wm. Cockran, labor and expense on lights	23.84
	17.	F. W. French, supplies for hall	4.00
June	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., lights for April	12.96
	10.	Wilbur Jutrus, work in Town Hall	5.40
July	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., light for June	8.64
	1.	Martha F. Wiggin, having clock cleaned	1.50
	1.	Ernest K. Wheeler, 3 cords wood ...	27.00
Aug.	2.	Manchester T., L. & Power Co., lights for July	6.84
	2.	F. W. French, supplies for hall	17.90
Sept.	1.	Ben Clement, work in hall	2.00
	1.	F. W. French, supplies for hall	20.95
	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., lights for August	4.20
	13.	J. E. Hartshorn, work on pump	2.25
Oct.	1.	Ben Clement, services as janitor, for three months	50.00
	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., lights for September	11.28

Nov.	1.	Manchester T., L. & P. Co., lights for October	14.16
	1.	Ben Clement, repairs in hall	7.90
	1.	F. W. French, supplies for hall	14.65
	8.	C. E. Fairbank, repairs on furnace..	10.00
Dec.	1.	E. L. Connor, janitor, Feb. 1 to July 1, 1926	83.34
	1.	Fred W. French, supplies for hall ..	9.49
	7.	J. A. McDerby, labor at town hall ..	10.00
	7.	Public Service Co. of N. H., lights for November	13.44
	21.	F. W. French, supplies for hall	2.50
1927 Paid—			
Jan.	1.	Ben Clement, janitor, Oct. 1 to Jan. 1, 1927	50.00
	1.	Public Service Co. of N. H., lights for December	12.96
	13.	F. W. French, supplies for hall	3.45
	31.	C. E. Fairbank, labor on furnace	3.00
	31.	Ben Clement, 25 cords of wood	275.00

			\$790.56

PERSONS AIDED BY COUNTY.

1926	Paid—		
Mar.	11.	E. D. Moore & Co., aid to P. Gordon	\$5.00
	11.	H. Goudreault, groceries furnished A. Paquin	12.00
	11.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	21.68
	11.	A. F. Douville, wood furnished M. Bonenfant	12.00
April	1.	Fosher & Co., groceries furnished J. Welch	40.00
	1.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	22.67

April	1.	H. Goudreault, groceries furnished A. Panquin	12.00
May	1.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	21.68
	1.	H. Goudreault, groceries furnished A. Paquin	12.00
June	1.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	22.03
	1.	H. Goudreault, groceries furnished A. Paquin	12.50
	10.	H. Goudreault, groceries furnished A. Paquin	12.00
	11.	Fosher & Co., groceries furnished J. Welch	30.00
July	1.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	21.15
	1.	A.F. Douville, groceries furnished H. Dexter	102.86
Aug.	2.	Fosher & Co., groceries furnished J. Welch	10.00
	2.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	21.55
	2.	A. F. Douville, groceries furnished H. Dexter	32.65
	2.	E. B. Hull, taking Mr. Tufts to Grasmere	2.50
Sept.	1.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	22.09
	1.	H. Goudreault, groceries furnished A. Paquin	24.00
	1.	A. F. Douville, groceries furnished H. Dexter	12.85
Oct.	1.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	21.89
	2.	H. Goudreault, groceries furnished A. Paquin	12.00

Nov.	1.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	22.78
Dec.	1.	Fosher & Co., groceries furnished J. Welch	19.86
	1.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	22.16
	1.	E. D. Moore & Co., groceries fur- nished P. Gordon	4.98
	1.	F. W. French, groceries furnished P. Gordon	5.80
	14.	H. Goudreault, groceries furnished A. Paquin	24.00
	21.	Fosher & Co., groceries furnished J. Welch	20.00
	22.	Fosher & Co., groceries furnished J. Welch	10.00
1927 Paid—			
Jan.	7.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	24.04
	13.	H. J. Rogler, groceries furnished A. Paquin	12.00
	29.	Fosher & Co., groceries furnished J. Welch	20.00
	31.	Perham Parker, wood furnished A. Paquin	10.00
	31.	H. J. Rogler, groceries furnished A. Paquin	12.00
	31.	P. J. Charron, groceries furnished N. Boulanger	23.48

			\$750.20

PERSON AIDED BY TOWN.

1927	Paid—		
Jan.	13.	F. W. French, groceries furnished H. Johnette	\$70.59

SNOW BILLS.

1926 Paid—

Mar.	11.	A. B. McLain, breaking roads and money paid out	\$49.60
	11.	Chas. A. Tarr, breaking roads and money paid out	252.84
	11.	George A. Tinker, breaking roads...	6.33
	11.	Geo. O. Spencer, breaking roads and money paid out	388.50
	11.	R. M. Wiggin, breaking roads and money paid out	115.65
	11.	Gustave Pearson, breaking roads and money paid out	218.60
	11.	L. M. Kinson, breaking roads and money paid out	208.50
	11.	Edward Bucker, breaking roads and money paid out	203.35
	11.	Edward Schneider, breaking roads and money paid out	133.35
	11.	Ernest K. Wheeler, breaking roads and money paid out	154.50
	27.	Roland O. Royer, shoveling snow ..	4.67
	27.	O. H. Bragdon, shoveling snow	6.00
	27.	Wm. S. Manning, breaking road and money paid out	125.79
April	1.	John M. Sargent, breaking roads and money paid out	89.73
	1.	John M. Sargent, breaking roads and money paid out	23.73
	1.	Gustave Pearson, breaking roads and money paid out	37.60
	14.	Ernest K. Wheeler, breaking roads and money paid out	42.25
May	1.	Chas. A. Tarr, breaking roads and money paid out	8.50

May	6.	Ernest A. Jenkins, breaking roads and money paid out	46.30
July	1.	George H. Wiggin Co., breaking roads and money paid out	45.87
Dec.	14.	Ernest K. Wheeler, breaking roads and money paid out	25.22
1927 Paid—			
Jan.	1.	Chas. A. Tarr, breaking roads and money paid out	120.64
	1.	Gustave Pearson, breaking roads and money paid out	37.50
	1.	L. M. Kinson, breaking roads and money paid out	56.00
	29.	H. N. Fosher, breaking road, Worth- ley Hill	9.70
	29.	H. N. Fosher, breaking road, (New Boston)	72.79
	31.	E. K. Wheeler, breaking roads and money paid out	132.92
	31.	Chas. A. Tarr, breaking roads and money paid out	288.57
	31.	L. M. Kinson, breaking roads and money paid out	59.00
	31.	Gustave Pearson, breaking roads and money paid out	80.75
	31.	George H. Wiggin, breaking roads and money paid out	94.80

			\$3,139.55

SNOW BILL D. W. HIGHWAY.

July	1.	H. E. Chamberlin, snow removal, D. W. Highway	\$312.51
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TRUNK LINE CONSTRUCTION.

June	12.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	\$587.95
July	26.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,018.14

Aug.	2.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,153.72
	7.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,249.47
	14.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,344.25
	21.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,429.12
	28.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,425.43
Sept.	7.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,408.57
	13.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,194.40
	18.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,424.16
	25.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,057.13
Oct.	2.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,125.45
	9.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,266.53
	16.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,172.24
	23.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,020.73
	30.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,220.04
Nov.	6.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,138.91
	13.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	1,105.85
	20.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	865.40
	27.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	614.34
Dec.	6.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	703.97
	13.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	248.92
	21.	H. N. Fosher, trunk line construction	126.60
			<hr/> \$23,901.32

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE.

April	12.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. Highway	\$73.00
	22.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. Highway	93.00
May	6.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. Highway	89.90
	6.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	29.94
	8.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	79.15
	15.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	170.02
	19.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. Highway	101.80

May	22.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	208.76
	29.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	307.10
June	5.	H. N. Fosher, labor on the 101 Line ..	187.27
	5.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	244.09
	5.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	133.00
	10.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	94.80
July	1.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	109.70
	1.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	177.80
	3.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	15.00
	8.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	91.50
	14.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	8.34
	23.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	24.72
	21.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	93.00
	31.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	10.83
Aug.	10.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	93.00
	14.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	46.78
	21.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	100.00
Sept.	1.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	90.67
	11.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	103.00
	20.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	41.52
	20.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	35.94
	20.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	43.00
	22.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	126.25
	25.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	23.89
Oct.	2.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	34.44
	6.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. High-way	112.50
	16.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	30.00
	16.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	11.05

Oct.	27.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	60.85
	28.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. Highway ..	88.00
	30.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	27.44
Nov.	11.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. Highway ..	83.00
	13.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	19.68
	20.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	38.34
	26.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	4.67
	27.	H. E. Bishop, patrolman D. W. Highway ..	100.60
Dec.	1.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	72.26
	4.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman 101 Line ..	83.18
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			\$3,812.78

UNIMPROVED TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE.

May	6.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman Baboosic Road ..	\$120.88
July	1.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman Baboosic Road ..	32.34
	3.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman Baboosic Road ..	75.64
	14.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman Baboosic Road ..	9.89
	31.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman Baboosic Road ..	15.56
	17.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman Baboosic Road ..	32.05
Aug.	14.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman Baboosic Road ..	28.82
	28.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman Baboosic Road ..	42.08
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			\$357.26

STATE AID MAINTENANCE.

May	6.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	\$72.79
	8.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	19.66
July	1.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	72.22
	14.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	100.50
	23.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	60.00
	17.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	19.00
Aug.	7.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	26.33
	28.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	46.00
Sept.	20.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	16.00
	20.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	15.00
	20.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	15.00
	25.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	26.00
Oct.	2.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	34.47
	16.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	21.68
	16.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	24.00
	27.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	28.34
	30.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	50.56

Nov.	13.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	93.72
	20.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	43.83
	26.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	133.33
Dec.	1.	A. P. Fosher, patrolman State Aid road	6.39
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			\$924.80

HIGHWAY EXPENSES.

Gustave Pearson's Account.

April	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	\$51.70
May	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	380.75
June	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	100.00
	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	110.25
July	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	213.79
	1.	Geo. H. Wiggin Co., labor on highway and money paid out	117.68
Aug.	2.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	56.55
Oct.	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	34.75
	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	127.28
	16.	A. P. Fosher, labor on culverts	21.45
Nov.	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	161.60
Dec.	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	64.15

Jan.	1.	Gustave Pearson, labor on highway and money paid out	76.75
	31.	Geo. H. Wiggin Co., labor on highway and money paid out	59.74

			\$1,576.44

Charles A. Tarr's Account.

April	1.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	\$45.53
May	1.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	369.82
	8.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	154.50
	15.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	127.50
	25.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	119.75
June	5.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	105.65
July	1.	A. H. Holbrook, work on highway ..	21.00
	1.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	217.25
	2.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	57.25
	30.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	43.70
Aug.	6.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	50.75
	21.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	38.25
	28.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	86.00
Sept.	3.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	87.00
	3.	Vogel & Hadley, cinders on Worthley hill	78.00

Oct.	1.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	27.50
Dec.	1.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	75.45
Jan.	1.	Chas. A. Tarr, labor on highway and money paid out	16.00
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			\$1,720.90

Ernest K. Wheeler's Account.

April	1.	Homer L. Leblanc, labor on highway	\$39.00
May	1.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	219.20
	1.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	7.90
	15.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	198.15
	22.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	74.56
June	1.	Ben. R. Clement, repairing railings	7.00
	1.	J. A. McDerby, repairing railings ..	7.00
	1.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	72.40
	1.	Herculles Roux, gravel (1925)	4.50
	5.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	59.75
July	1.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	80.80
	16.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	49.00
	2.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	68.00
	9.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	59.00

Aug.	2.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	77.00
	2.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	49.25
	21.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	56.25
	28.	Ernest K. wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	42.50
Sept.	11.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	46.25
	25.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	67.75
Oct.	1.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	22.00
	2.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	40.30
	16.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	14.25
	16.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	43.50
Nov.	1.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	53.25
	1.	Ernest K. Wheeler, repairs on bridge	10.75
	26.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	74.05
Dec.	14.	Ernest K. Wheeler, labor on highway and money paid out	13.50
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			\$1,556.81

SCHOOL MONEY.

June	1.	Wm. S. Manning, dog money 1925 ..	\$235.00
	30.	Wm. S. Manning, school money	2,500.00
Aug.	2.	Wm. S. Manning, school money	1,100.00
Sept.	1.	Wm. S. Manning, school money	1,000.00
Oct.	1.	Wm. S. Manning, school money	2,200.00

Nov.	1.	Wm. S. Manning, school money	2,500.00
Dec.	1.	Wm. S. Manning, school money	2,500.00
Jan.	1.	Wm. S. Manning, school money	1,200.00
	31.	Wm. S. Manning, school money	2,972.37
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			\$16,207.37

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

April 22.		Harry D. Hilchey, fighting forest fire and money paid out	\$10.50
May 1.		Harry D. Hilchey, supplies for fire truck	3.10
May 17.		F. W. French, supplies for fire dept.	28.82
June 1.		H. D. Hilchey, fighting forest fires and money paid out	131.75
	1.	Ben R. Clement, work on fire truck ..	6.50
	1.	Dennis C. Sargent, repairs on fire truck	5.75
July 1.		Ben R. Clement, work and supplies for fire truck	24.15
	1.	Chas. H. Crowley, repairs on fire truck	6.00
	1.	Harry D. Hilchey, fighting forest fire and money paid out	22.50
Aug. 2.		Ben Clement, work on fire truck ..	17.50
	2.	Oscar P. Stone, dues in the Fireman Relief Association	7.50
	2.	F. W. French, supplies for fire dept.	47.45
Sept. 1.		Ben Clement, work on fire truck	6.25
	1.	J. B. Filleul & Son, supplies for fire truck	3.00
	1.	H. D. Hilchey, fighting forest fire and money paid out	12.50
Nov. 1.		American LaFrance Fire Engine Co., four fire extinguishers	41.04
	1.	Ben Clement, work on fire truck	4.25

Nov.	1.	H. D. Hilchey, fire at Kings	2.50
	1.	H. D. Hilchey, fighting forest fire and money paid out	7.00
	1.	H. D. Hilchey, fighting forest fire and money paid out	17.00
	1.	F. W. French, supplies for fire dept.	24.28
	18.	C. E. Putnam, four fire extinguishers	48.00
Dec.	1.	Fred W. French, supplies for fire dept.	5.15
	1.	American Express Co., express on fire extinguishers .....	.94
	21.	Fred W. French, anti-freeze for truck	1.60
1927 Paid—			
Jan.	1.	Ben Clement, work and supplies for fire truck	3.50
	1.	Manchester Water Works, rent on hydrants, 1926	280.00
	1.	F. W. French, storage of truck, 1926	100.00
	1.	F. W. French, gas for fire truck92
	31.	Town of Amherst, N. H., expense fighting fire	51.60
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			\$921.05

VITAL STATISTICS.

	1926 Paid—		
Sept.	1.	E. D. Miville, M. D., returning birth certificate	\$6.00
	1927 Paid—		
Jan.	31.	Martha F. Wiggin, returning vital statistics	8.75
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			\$14.75

BOARD OF HEALTH.

	1926 Paid—		
Dec.	1.	L. M. Kinson, service as health officer	\$47.61

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

1926	Paid—	
April	1. J. C. Lamson, services as constable..	\$33.80
May	1. J. C. Lamson, services as constable ..	12.00
	Harry D. Hilchey, services as constable	33.90
June	1. Wm. S. Melendy, services as enforcement officer	17.55
	1. J. C. Lamson, services as constable ..	23.20
Aug.	1. J. C. Lamson, services as constable ..	28.80
Sept.	1. J. C. Lamson, services as constable ..	29.90
	1. H. D. Hilchey, services as constable, April 1 to September 1	63.35
Oct.	1. J. C. Lamson, services as constable ..	20.60
Nov.	1. Wm. Melendy, services as enforcement officer	27.00
	1. J. C. Lamson, services as constable ..	27.40
Dec.	1. J. C. Lamson, services as constable ..	14.40
	1. H. D. Hilchey, services as constable..	38.95
1927	Paid—	
Jan.	1. Wm. Melendy, services as enforcement officer	8.25

		\$379.10

MEMORIAL DAY.

1926	Paid—	
June	1. F. P. Foss, flags for Memorial Day ..	\$9.80

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

1926	Paid—	
June	1. Wm. B. French, library money	\$90.36
Dec.	1. Wm. B. French, library money	35.00

		\$125.36

INTEREST AND NOTES.

1926 Paid—

April 14.	Amoskeag National Bank, interest on note	\$125.00
May 8.	Amoskeag National Bank, interest on note	75.00
Sept. 28.	Amoskeag National Bank, interest on note	75.00
Oct. 16.	Amoskeag National Bank, interest on note	125.00
Dec. 1.	Amoskeag National Bank, interest on note	75.00

1927 Paid—

Jan. 31.	E. R. French, interest on note	125.00
31.	Amoskeag National Bank, note and interest	8,117.79
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		\$8,717.79

1926 Paid—

April 15.	Samuel Philbert, abatement on school tax, 1924	\$28.00
15.	Samuel Philbert, abatement on school tax, 1925	38.70
July 1.	Manchester Coal & Ice Co., over tax, 1926	27.90
1.	Belmont Reality Co., abatement on school tax, 1925-26	67.50
Aug. 2.	Edward Riedel, soldier's exemption	27.90
Dec. 1.	Ellen A. Sargent, poll tax abatement	2.00
1.	Geo. D. Soper, Wm. Potry, soldier's and poll tax abatement	29.90
14.	Howard L. Dyke, soldier's exemption	27.90
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1927		
Jan. 13.	Geo. J. Lahey, overtax	28.99
31.	Geo. D. Soper, discount on taxes ..	358.15

Jan. 31. Geo. D. Soper, abatement on the following:

Wallace Adams	\$5.62
Moses Blain	7.68
Perley Gordon	4.25
Percy Scott	5.34
G. W. Spring	9.36
Chas. S. Caron	4.68
Henry E. Combs	9.36
Evastos Names	12.48
Ovila Provencier	9.36
Adeline Trottier	3.12

	71.24
Jan. 31. Eugene Zurton	3.00
Lynhurst Miller	3.00
John Pollock	3.00
_____ Langley	3.00
Sarah Mailhot	3.00
Edith Colburn	3.00
Frank E. French	3.00
William Farrington	3.00
James T. Lear	3.00
John Lippe	3.00
Geo. H. Mullis	3.00
Abbie H. Putnam	3.00
Arthur Danville	3.00
Omar Desrocher	3.00
Hattie Adams	3.00
Orianna Blais	3.00
Rosiana Blain	3.00
Harvey Dexter	3.00
Anna Dexter	3.00
Donald Murty	3.00
Pearl Murty	3.00
Paul Vogal	3.00
Martha Vogal	3.00
Murdock McPhee	3.00

Jan. 31. Mable R. Gordon	3.00
Dorothy Lundergren	3.00
Jury Landry	3.00
Julia Landry	3.00
Napoleon Chaput	3.00
Edith Jones	3.00
Elizabeth Mullis	3.00

	\$801.18

TAXES BID IN BY TOWN.

1926 Paid—

June 1. Geo. D. Soper, resident taxes bid in by Town	\$359.16
1. Geo. D. Soper, non-resident taxes bid in by Town	117.77

	\$476.93

All of which is respectfully submitted,

PERHAM PARKER,
RALPH M. WIGGIN,
HARRY W. PEASLEE,
Selectmen of Bedford, N. H.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY A. BLOOD,
WALTER S. MELENDY,
Auditors.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

AUTOMOBILE ACCOUNT.

Received:

1926 cars, 207 permits	\$943.98
1927 cars, 230 permits	915.07
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	\$1,859.05

Paid Treasurer:

1926 May 3	170.36
May 18	172.71
June 17	75.89
July 8	100.00
August 7	122.00
August 13	104.00
August 21	111.60
September 17	41.00
November 15	75.20
December 3	134.06
December 14	115.93
December 20	207.56
December 28	168.35
December 31	145.00
1927 February 1	106.88
Rebate on Meynard's car	4.13
Rebate on L. L. Tarr's car	4.38
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	\$1,859.05

PRIMARY ELECTION FILING FEES.

Received for fee for representative	\$2.00
Paid Treasurer, Aug. 7, 1926	2.00
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DOG LICENSE MONEY REPORT.

Received for Dog Licenses	\$420.00
Balance from last year	\$12.00
Received from H. D. Hilchey	169.00
Received from J. C. Lamson	122.00
Received from licenses of 36 male dogs and 9 female dogs paid at Clerk's office	117.00

Paid:

E. C. Eastman for tags	\$17.13
Town Clerk issuing 45 licenses ..	9.00
Treasurer, 1926, July 8	45.00
July 17	123.87
August 7	139.00
September 17 ..	82.00
December 14 ..	4.00
	420.00

REPORT OF HISTORIES AND DIARIES.

Received for 2 Histories	\$6.00
Received for 5 Diaries	7.50
	\$13.50
Paid Treasurer, February 1, 1927	\$13.50

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MARTHA F. WIGGIN,
Town Clerk.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY A. BLOOD,
WALTER S. MELENDY,
Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Year Ending January 31, 1927.

Received of:

Treasurer, February 1, 1926	\$2,707.66
Treasurer, interest on deposits, 1926	33.50
Geo. D. Soper, Collector:	
Tax, 1926	31,784.03
Tax, 1925	4,209.48
Tax, 1924	72.46
Interest and note on list, 1925	194.55
Martha F. Wiggin:	
Automobile tax	1,850.54
Dog money	393.87
Histories and diaries	13.50
Filing fee	2.00
State:	
Highway Department	14,602.65
Insurance tax	18.75
Railroad tax	929.72
Savings Bank tax	2,124.66
Fire bills	69.03
Allen F. King, fire bill	2.50
E. L. Conner, rent of hall	270.00
Selectmen, rent of hall	60.00
Harry W. Hilchey, overpaid fighting fire	2.00
E. B. Hull, logs sold, Old Cemetery	10.00
Fred W. French, use of scales	35.90
E. L. Conner, cemetery lots	110.00
Harry W. Peaslee, lot in Joppa Cemetery	2.75
Selectmen, interest and dividends	190.03
Amoskeag National Bank, on 3 notes	13,000.00

Received of:

Charles H. Clark, note	1,000.00
Geo. H. Wiggin, on note	1,500.00
John W. Daley, on note	1,500.00
	—————
	\$76,689.58

CREDIT.

Paid orders drawn current year ending January	
31, 1927	\$76,117.35

ASSETS.

Due from Collector (1926)	\$5,495.86
Due from County (1926)	750.20
Cash on hand	572.23
	—————
	\$6,818.29

LIABILITIES.

Amoskeag National Bank (3 notes)	\$13,000.00
Ervin R. French, note	2,500.00
Charles H. Clark, note	1,000.00
George H. Wiggin, note	1,500.00
John W. Daley, note	1,500.00
Town officers' salaries (estimated)	1,000.00
State aid (road money)	455.75
Dog money	384.87
Appropriation (Toilets in Town Hall)	500.00
	—————
	\$21,840.62

Balance against Town	\$15,022.33
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AUDITORS' REPORT.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERVIN R. FRENCH,

Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly and properly vouched.

HENRY A. BLOOD,

WALTER S. MELENDY,

Auditors.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF BEDFORD, N. H., ON JANUARY 31, 1927.

**TRUST FUNDS—
PURPOSE OF CREATION.**

**Date of
Creation.**

HOW INVESTED.

Date of Creation.	Purpose of Creation.	Amount of Principal.	Rate of Interest.	Balance of Income at Beginning of Year.	Income During Year.	Expenditures During Year.	Balance of Income at End of Year.
Oct. 31, 1888	Bedford, N. H., Adam Chandler Library Fund, No. 47562.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	\$600	4 1/2	.....	\$27.10	.....
Oct. 22, 1898	Bedford, N. H., Barr Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	300	4 1/2	.....	13.55	13.55
Mar. 18, 1901	Bedford, N. H., Burial Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100	4 1/2	.....	4.51	4.51
Dec. 11, 1903	Bedford, N. H., Shepard Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	200	4 1/2	\$40.68	9.03	2.00
Mar. 23, 1904	Bedford, N. H., Walker Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100	4 1/2	9.09	4.51	3.50
Mar. 21, 1907	Bedford, N. H., Caroline A. Moore Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100	4 1/2	.....	4.51	4.51
Apr. 26, 1907	Bedford, N. H., Susan J. Clark Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	300	4 1/2	.....	13.55	13.55
June 5, 1908	Bedford, N. H., Annie Townsend Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	50	4 1/2	.....	2.26	2.26
Mar. 10, 1909	Bedford, N. H., Sarah Riddle Osgood Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100	4 1/2	.....	4.51	4.51
Mar. 9, 1909	Bedford, N. H., Sarah H. Clark Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100	4 1/2	13.23	4.51	1.00
Apr. 13, 1909	Bedford, N. H., William Patten Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	200	4 1/2	.....	9.03	9.03
Dec. 31, 1910	Bedford, N. H., Stephen C. Damon Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	200	4 1/2	.....	9.03	9.03
Mar. 16, 1912	Bedford, N. H., Rufus Parkhurst Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	50	4 1/2	.77	2.26	1.00
June 27, 1914	Bedford, N. H., Mary E. Parker Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100	4 1/2	.....	4.51	4.51
Nov. 5, 1914	Bedford, N. H., Gilman H. Moore Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100	4 1/2	.....	4.51	4.51
Apr. 10, 1917	Bedford, N. H., Clement Cemetery Fund.	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100	4 1/2	.....	4.51	4.51
Oct. 31, 1902	Bedford, N. H., David Sweet, New Cemetery Fund.	Manchester Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	150	4 1/2	.....	6.77	4.77
							2.00

Dec. 8, 1917	Bedford, N. H., Sturtevant & Moore Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
Sept. 21, 1917	Bedford, N. H., Thos. L. Burns Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	200 4 1/2	9.03
Jan. 28, 1919	Bedford, N. H., Margaret A. Kittridge Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
July 19, 1919	Bedford, N. H., Harry A. Shepard Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
Feb. 3, 1920	Bedford, N. H., Thos. W. Moore Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
Nov. 17, 1920	Bedford, N. H., George F. Barnard Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
May 23, 1921	Bedford, N. H., Joppa Cemetery Fund, Harry Peaslee Lot	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	50 4 1/2	2.26 1.00 7.46
Apr. 13, 1922	Bedford, N. H., Mary M. Clapp Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
May 15, 1922	Bedford, N. H., Susan S. Fosher Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
Nov. 2, 1923	Bedford, N. H., Eddie L. Gage Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	150 4 1/2	7.77 7.53
Feb. 1, 1924	Bedford, N. H., Lavinia Seavey Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
July 24, 1924	Bedford, N. H., Frank F. Flint Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.50 1.00 8.01
Dec. 1, 1924	Bedford, N. H., Julia A. Stevens Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51
Dec. 9, 1924	Bedford, N. H., Chas. B. Beal Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	500 4 1/2	22.54 22.54
Dec. 12, 1924	Bedford, N. H., Chas. B. Beal Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	200 4 1/2	2.25 9.00 11.25
Apr. 3, 1925	Bedford, N. H., Mandana Roby Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/2	4.51 4.51
May 5, 1925	Bedford, N. H., Chas. Gage Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	50 4 1/2	2.25 2.25
Oct. 27, 1925	Bedford, N. H., Mary J. Moore Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	300 4 1/2	13.50 13.50
May 26, 1926	Bedford, N. H., Laura E. Cutter Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H.	100 4 1/237 .37

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We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouchered.

HENRY A. BLOOD,
WALTER S. MELENDY,
Auditors.

TRUSTEES' REPORT OF NEW CEMETERY.

January 31, 1927

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, 1926	\$2.46
Town appropriation	100.00
From C. F. Shepard, interest on trust funds	100.50
	—————
	\$202.96

EXPENDITURES.

Repairs on mowers	\$.75
Sharpening mowers	5.00
Nails and screws .....	.50
Shears	1.00
Grass seed	1.25
Plants	2.50
Eddy L. Conner, 49 days' labor	171.50
James McCornish, labor	12.50
	—————
	\$195.00
Balance on hand, January 31, 1927	\$7.96

CHARLES P. FARLEY ,

EDDY L. CONNER,

Cemetery Trustees.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY A. BLOOD,

WALTER S. MELENDY,

Auditors.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOODBURY
PUBLIC LIBRARY.

For the Year Ending January 31, 1927.

ACCESSIONS.

No. accessions by gift	120
No. accessions by purchase	48
Juvenile	19
Fiction	29
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	48
No. of volumes	3,624
Total circulation for the year	2,482

Books have been received from the following persons:

Mrs. Mary Jenkins
Mr. John A. Kablis
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hill
Home Study Club
Miss Mattie Forsaith
Mrs. Jennie W. Burleigh
Mr. Dennis R. Chase
Mr. Willis B. Kendall
Miss Martha E. Woodbury

Magazines donated by the following persons:

Mr. Willis B. Kendall
Mrs. Annie Davis
Mrs. James W. Hill
Mr. Dennis R. Chase

The library is opened from 7.00 to 9.00 Thursday evenings, Saturday afternoons from 2.00 to 5.00.

Respectfully submitted,

ISABEL McKELVIE,
Librarian.

LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mar.	1.	On hand	\$13.58
June	1.	From town	90.36
Oct.	25.	From C. F. Shepard, trust fund	49.64
Dec.	1.	From town	35.00

			\$188.58

EXPENDITURES.

Mar.	3.	Paid E. E. Schneider, wood	\$7.00
June	1.	Paid Jennie L. French	35.00
	1.	Paid, Cleaning library	2.50
	1.	Paid, supplies .....	.95
	8.	Paid W. P. Goodman	26.85
Oct.	25.	Paid W. P. Goodman	49.64
Nov.	12.	Paid E. A. Campbell	12.00
Dec.	1.	Isabel McKelvie	35.00
	1.	Electric light bill	12.12

			\$181.06
On hand			7.52

			\$188.58

WM. B. FRENCH,

Treasurer.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY A. BLOOD,
WALTER S. MELENDY,
Auditors.

SCHOOL WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

[L. S.]

Hillsborough, SS.

February 12, 1927

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Bedford qualified to vote in district affairs —

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on the 2nd day of March next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE I. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.

ART. II. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
the ensuing three years.

ART. III. To choose a member of the School Board for

ART. IV. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. V. To choose two auditors for the ensuing year.

ART. VI. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

ART. VII. To see how much money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the salary of the district officers.

ART. VIII. To see how much money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of notes and interest on notes outstanding against the district.

ART. IX. To see how much money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs to school buildings.

ART. X. To see if the district will vote to adopt the Medical Inspection Act and raise and appropriate money for carrying out its provisions.

ART. XI. To see what action the district will take on the recommendations of the committee appointed last year and authorized to obtain options on land for a new school building in district No. 3, 4, 5, and 11, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. XII. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal at said Bedford the 12th day of February, 1927.

BERTHA FRENCH,
H. S. WONSON,
A. J. McKELVIE,
School Board of Bedford.

A true copy attest:

BERTHA FRENCH,
H. S. WONSON,
A. J. McKELVIE,
School Board of Bedford.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

ANNUAL MEETING 1926

The Annual Meeting of the Bedford School District was held at the Town Hall on Wednesday, March 3, 1926, at 2 P. M. The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing year:

Moderator, William Meleny.

Clerk of School District, Frank E. Manning

Treasurer, William S. Manning.

Mr. H. S. Wonson was elected a member of the School Board for three years, and the town auditors were elected school auditors for the ensuing year. The district voted to adopt the budget of \$12050.00 recommended by the School Board, and also voted the following additional sums of money:

For salaries of district officers	\$200.00
For payment of notes	2,000.00
For repairs to school buildings	300.00

The following additions to the Budget are required by law:

High School and Academy Tuition	\$2,600.00
Amount of per capita tax (\$2 per pupil)	448.00
The total to be assessed being therefore	\$17,598.00

STATE AID.

The medical Inspection Act was dismissed on recommendation of the School Board.

The committee appointed to investigate conditions in districts 3, 4, and 5, reported in favor of the early construc-

tion of a new school house to cover these districts and district No. 11. The district voted to continue the committee consisting of Mr. Hull, Mrs. Melendy and Mrs. Crowell and to authorize this committee to obtain options on land suitable for the construction of a new school, and report to the 1927 meeting.

THE SCHOOL YEAR.

At a meeting of the new School Board held after the District Meeting the Board was organized for the year 1926-27, with Mr. H. S. Wonson as Chairman and Mrs. Bertha French as clerk.

At a meeting of the supervisory union held on May 11th at the new High School building at Goffstown, Mr. J. Byron Tarney was again unanimously re-elected superintendent of the schools in the union. Mr. Tarney has continued his work as superintendent on the same high plane as heretofore and the School Board takes great pleasure in again thanking him for his loyal, intelligent, and efficient services to the Bedford School District.

The supervisory union also adopted the following school calendar for the school year 1926-1927:

Fall Term

Opens September 7th.	
September 7 to November 19th	11 weeks
Thanksgiving Recess—1 week	
November 29th to December 17th	3 weeks
Midwinter Recess—2 weeks (December 18 to January 1)	

Winter Term

First Half—January 3 to February 18	7 weeks
Recess—1 week	
Second Half—February 28 to April 22	8 weeks
Recess—1 week	

Spring Term

May 2 to June 17

7 weeks

Total 36 weeks

The required annual report to the District stating the amount of money needed for the support of schools and for statutory requirements follows:

BUDGET FOR 1927-1928.

1. Amount of money required by law (\$3.50 on each \$1,000 of the inventory)	\$4,588.93
2. One-half of one percent of equalized valuation	\$7,960.90
3. Statement in detail of the amount of money required for the support of schools and payment of statutory obligations for the ensuing year:	

I. Budget Recommended by School Board:

	Elementary Schools.
Superintendent's Salary	\$300.00
Truant Officer and School Census	25.00
Expenses of Administration	100.00
Teacher's Salaries	7,100.00
Text Books	225.00
Scholars' Supplies	225.00
Flags and Appurtenances	15.00
Other expenses of Instruction	25.00
Janitor Service	450.00
Fuel	800.00
Water, Light, and Janitor Supplies	100.00
Minor Repairs and Expenses	350.00
Health Supervision	650.00
Transportation of Pupils	575.00
Elementary School Tuition	550.00

	Elementary Schools.
Insurance	75.00
New Equipment	50.00
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Total	\$11,615.00
 II. Additions to Budget Required by Law:	
High School and Academy Tuition	2,200.00
Amount of per capita tax (\$2 per pupil)	444.00
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	\$2,644.00
 III. Assessments Required:	
Total Budget (Sum of I and II)	\$14,259.00
Expected State Aid	1,764.88
Expected Dog Tax Money	230.00
Expected Balance June 30, 1927	400.00
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Balance to be Assessed	\$11,864.12

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE BEDFORD
SCHOOL DISTRICT.

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1925, and Ending
June 30, 1926

RECEIPTS.

State Aid:

Equalization fund for elementary schools	\$2,989.01
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Income from Local Taxation:

(Raised by Selectmen)

For the support of elementary schools	\$10,043.90
For the payment of high School and academy tuition	3,000.00
For the salaries of district officers	200.00
For the payment of principal and interest of debt	2,250.00
For the payment of interest on debt	550.00
For the payment of per capita tax	488.00
Special appropriations	425.00

Total 16,956.90

From Sources Other Than Taxation:

Dog Licenses (from Selectmen) ..	235.00
Elementary School Tuitions	22.00

Total 257.00

Total receipts from all sources	\$20,202.91
Balance at beginning of year, July 1, 1925 ..	410.98

Grand Total \$20,613.89

PAYMENTS.

Administration:

Salaries of district officers	\$155.00
Superintendent's excess salary	275.00
Truant officers and school census	17.89
Expenses of administration	72.15

Instruction:

Principals' and teachers' salaries	7,038.00
Text books	266.13
Scholars' supplies	172.24
Other expenses of instruction	26.03

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:

Janitor service	414.00
Fuel	660.89
Water, light, janitors' supplies	82.52
Minor repairs and expenses	662.20

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:

Medical inspection	489.32
Transportation of pupils	576.00
High school and academy tuition	2,165.23
Elementary school tuition	345.46

Outlay for Construction and Equipment:

Alterations of old buildings	127.51
New equipment	10.33

Debt, Interest and Other Charges:

Payments of principal of debt	3,700.00
Payments of interest on debt	670.84
Tax for state wide supervision (\$2 per capita)	488.00

Total Payments for all Purposes	\$18,414.73
Total cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1926)	2,199.16
Grand Total	\$20,613.89

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. WONSON,
A. J. McKELVIE,
BERTHA FRENCH,

School Board of Bedford.

We have examined the above report and find it correct.

HENRY A. BLOOD,
WALTER MELENDY,

Auditors.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER.

From July 1, 1925 to June 30, 1926

Balance on hand from last year	\$410.98
Received from Town:	
Budget and Special appropriations	16,956.40
Dog Money	235.00
Tuition from Merrimack	22.00
State Aid	2,989.01
Due from Town on account of error50
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	\$20,613.89
Less School Board Orders	18,414.73
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Balance on hand June 30, 1926	\$2,199.16
Notes Outstanding against the District:	
Bertha E. French	\$2,000.00
John Daley	3,300.00
Harriet F. Manning	1,000.00
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	\$6,300.00

W. S. MANNING,
District Treasurer.

July 7, 1926

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE.

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Bedford, N. H. of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and find them correct in all respects.

HENRY A. BLOOD,
WALTER S. MELENDY,

July 7, 1926

Auditors.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Board and Citizens of Bedford:

TEACHERS AND SCHOOLS.

The present year has brought but one change in the teaching staff. Miss Helen Colby, of Manchester, a graduate of Plymouth Normal School, is in charge of Number Six Grammar School.

The same schools are operating this year as last. The arrangement by which the pupils from Number 9 district and upper grade pupils from Number 5 were brought to the Center is working most satisfactorily. The idea of centralizing schools has not been carried as far in actual practice in this state as in many others. But in nearly every case where transportation is possible to some graded school the results are advantageous, and after a try at it neither pupils or parents desire to return to the "one-room" school. A one-room school costs about \$1,000 or more per year to operate. A school of 6 or 8 pupils costs as much as one with three or four times as many, resulting in a very high per capita cost.

SCHOOL COSTS.

The perennial question of school costs is with us. Taking all of the elementary schools of the state for last year, the median total cost per capita, was \$78.94. The median total costs for Bedford is \$76.74. This will indicate that Bedford costs are slightly under the state average, which also means that about half of the 247 school districts in the state are paying more than Bedford per capita. This means that in most cases, more is being spent for books and supplies and teachers and necessary items than Bedford is paying. If one asks when school costs will "come down" to

where they were years ago, it can be answered that, when people of our cities and towns and communities live as they lived 25 to 40 years ago, with all prices as they were then, with requirements as to buildings and teachers and books as they were, school costs will lessen.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADUATES AND HIGH SCHOOL .

ATTENDANCE:

Last June, 11 young people completed the work of the elementary schools. Of these, 5 have gone to Manchester High Schools and one enter St. Anselms.

The record which these young people make in the Manchester schools, will compare favorably with the record made by any similar number from other schools. The list following gives practically all of the young people in high schools at the present time. Most, but not all of these are pupils for whom Bedford pays tuition.

BEDFORD HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS.

IN MANCHESTER HIGH SCHOOLS:

FRESHMEN.

Esther Freeden
Shirley Gerrish
Frederick Robertson
Blanche Roy
Cecile Groulx
Elsie Berg
Mary Kablis
Peggy Kablis

SOPHOMORES.

Edmund Hodgman
Mildred Wheeler
Robert Jenkins
Donald McLain
Dorothy Crowell

JUNIOR.

Wallace Berg
 Ruth Hodgman
 Hazel Berg
 Gerald Holmberg
 John Kablis
 Philip Lamson
 Harold Fosher
 Donald Quaid
 Earle Sweat
 Milton Spencer

SENIOR.

Earle Adams
 Clinton Hodgman
 Frank Crowell

IN MILFORD HIGH SCHOOL:

SENIOR.

Lloyd Parkhurst

IN McGAW INSTITUTE:

SENIOR.

Mabel Pearson

IN GOFFSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL:

SENIOR.

William Dunlap

JUNIOR.

Dorothy Dunlap

The rate of tuition in Manchester is about \$100 per pupil, in Goffstown, \$78, in Milford about \$80, in McGaw, \$55.

HEALTH SUPERVISION.

The following report is submitted by Miss Edith G. Walk, R. N., the school nurse.

A physical examination is afforded every child by the school authorities at the beginning of every Fall term. The pupils should make the most of this not merely to learn if they are able to attend school but how they can make themselves better able. We aim to encourage out-door recreation. We emphasize sanitation and fresh air in the school buildings, sleep, proper food and exercise.

If a communicable disease finds its way into a school a short talk is given on symptoms, duration of malady and preventive measures. To safeguard and advise in matters of health in the homes where conditions and environment is not as it should be. Right here I'd like to state a case where quick action and constant watching prevented more serious trouble in the home as well as in the school. In December a new pupil who had only been in our school five days, having come from a city, was sent to the Isolation Hospital with scarlet fever. The next day a little girl in the same school room was sent home ill but no doctor called. Three days later I visited the home and on examination of throat, temperature and symptoms diagnosed, in my own mind, as scarlet fever and immediately notified a physician and the board of health. This was one of my Goff's schools. She was isolated in another part of the house and by calling every few days the other three children were watched and escaped the disease. There were no other cases reported at school. Another case was brought to my attention quite recently when I had occasion to call at the home of an Italian family. An older boy, who was one of eight children, had been having a series of boils on his face and neck and I had taken him into the city to a clinic for treatment. During one of my calls at his home to dress these boils I found a younger brother and sister sick with what they said were colds. Both were running a temperature, both had patches on the membrane of the throat. I immediately got in touch with a physician, went with him to the house, cultures of the throats were taken and sent to Concord. Fortunately the report came back negative to diphtheria.

Every child should make a regular annual gain, therefore, each pupil is weighed and measured so that we may ascertain their rate of growth according to the scale prepared by the New Hampshire State Board of Health. One hundred seventy pupils were examined the first of the school year by Dr. Coburn, the school physician, and the parents notified of any weakness, deformity, or defects found. The heart, lungs, throat, teeth, eyes and ears are parts of the human machinery that goes through this annual medical inspection, and is just as necessary to the school system as books. I shall be very glad to have the mothers present at these September examinations that they may see just what we do.

Among the activities that come under this head is the baby clinic which is for children of pre-school age. About seventy were examined at our last clinic which was under the personal direction of Mrs. Mary S. Davis, R. N., of the State Board of Health.

The following report is from October, 1925 to December, 1926:

Number of School Calls	320
Number of Home Calls	82
Parent notified of children's disability	47
Children accompanied to the dentist	1
Children accompanied to the physician	4
Defective teeth	60
	to parents.
Hypertrophied tonsils	24
	Notices sent
Adenoids	20
Enlarged glands	15
Defective vision	10
Pediculosis	10
	No. Corrected.
	5
	5
	5
	10

EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOLS.

The effort has been to provide for the pupils as much of the good and best in books and equipment as is possible to provide with the amount we have to spend. At the present

time, altho wanting many things, the books in kind and quality will compare favorably with other schools.

TESTS.

As a means of checking up ability and achievement, a number of different "Standard Tests" in subject matter and general information are used. These afford a means, not only of pointing out strengths and deficiencies as well, but also enable teachers to determine how any individual group or grade compares with standards which generally prevail in similar grades and groups throughout the country. In a free and informal way, the endeavor is, as far as possible to provide ample opportunity for pupils according to their ability. In the smaller schools, it is possible to give more attention to the individual and insist that more should be done by the pupil capable of doing more.

One Word More.

Now and then some parent may be moved to express disapproval or criticism of certain things or happenings in connection with the schools. Perhaps the infrequency of this might be a cause of encouragement, knowing how many weaknesses there are. Mere fault-finding, however, is a pernicious habit. Construction criticism is wholesome. Occasionally, (not as frequently as one might wish) a parent or parents feel that some added equipment or books would be an advantage for pupils—if these things could be obtained, and offer to do anything they can to secure the desired aids. This is splendid. One expression of such an attitude is found in the "Library" at No. 6 Grammar Room—consisting of but few less than 100 volumes, for the young people there. This is the result of an intelligent constructive interest.

In working in and for the schools of Bedford it has been a privilege to be associated with the members of the School Board individually and as a group. Their open minded-

ness, their desire always to do what their best judgment suggests, the entire freedom from clique or prejudice, the promptness with which matters are attended to, their complete and intelligent co-operation, has made for the greater effectiveness of the schools and has made my work with them a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,

J. BYRON TARNEY,

Superintendent of Schools.

ATTENDANCE RECORD FOR YEAR 1925-1926

The small numeral attached to a name indicates how many times the individual has previously appeared in these reports.

Perfect Attendance for Three Terms.

No. 1. Grammar	—Loretta Roger
No. 5.	—Edward Kilar
No. 6.	—Shokes Jimas Dorothy Robertson

Perfect Attendance for Two Terms.

No. 1. Grammar	—Dorothy Fosher Blanche Godbout ¹ Lillian Roger ¹ Lillian Webber ³
No. 1. Primary	—Gordon Fosher ¹ Germaine Borgue Howard Fosher ¹ Robert Wheeler Rita Royer ¹ Laura Royer ¹ Katherine Wheeler ¹
No. 5.	—Eugenia Kilar Joe Kilar Venda Wojicki
No. 6. Grammar	—Frederick Robertson ¹
No. 6. Primary	—John Arnos Alexandria Jimas Corinne Lamson Richard Dexter Louis Arnos
No. 8.	—Harry Seitz ¹

Perfect Attendance for One Term.

No. 1. Grammar	—Albert Jutras
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	Clement Jutras
	Lucien Boulanger
No. 1. Primary	—Henry Tremblay
	Gertrude Jenkins
	Harold Wonson
	Eleanor Kilton ¹
	Andrew Boulanger
	Paul Campbell
No. 5.	Pauline Preysnar ¹
	Stella Wojcicki ¹
	Jane McAffrey
No. 6. Primary	Arthur Jimas ¹
	Michael White ¹
	John Jimas
	Mary Franciskos
No. 11.	Joseph Zielenski ¹
	Joseph Zgzebniak
	John Zgzebniak
	Frank Zielenski ¹
	Jennie Zielenski

STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1925-26

	No. 1 Grammar	No. 1 Primary	No. 3	No. 6 Grammar	No. 5	No. 6 Primary	No. 8	No. 11
Enrollment	23	22	25	17	23	29	10	29
Average Attendance	19	18	21	14	17	21	8	24
Average Membership	20	19	22	15	18	23	9	25
Per cent Attendance.....	94	94	96	96	94	94	92	94
Visits by Board	7	7	3	4	2	4	4	2
Visits by Superintetndent....	30	23	28	17	32	31	14	22
Visits by Others	70	100	52	24	23	36	36	42

BEDFORD SCHOOL REPORT.

PAYMENTS IN DETAIL.

1. *Salaries of District Officers:*

Harold S. Wonson, Chairman	\$45.00
A. J. McKelvie	40.00
Bertha French, Clerk	45.00
William S. Manning, Treasurer	25.00

	\$155.00

2. *Superintendent's Excess Salary:*

Florence K. Wheeler, Treasurer Supervisory District	\$275.00
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3. *Truant Officer and School Census:*

Bertha French, Enumerator	\$15.00
R. E. Lane, enumeration cards	2.89

	\$17.89

4. *Expense of Administration:*

E. Byron Bartlett, Sec. Supervisory District, Telephone, one year	\$15.25
J. Byron Tarney, Superintendent, telephone, postage, etc.	13.77
W. S. Manning, envelopes, stamps	11.20
E. A. Stratton, letter paper, orders, envelopes, etc.	3.25
Bertha French, telephone, postage	1.10
Frank S. Manning, 1 record book	1.35
Harold S. Wonson, stamps, telephone, etc.	12.00
C. Stergion, 1 picture of school building	2.00
Edson C. Eastman, 1 thousand vouchers	12.23

	\$72.15

5. *Teacher's Salaries:*

No. 1.	Jennie Abbott, Primary	\$864.00
No. 1.	Annie Nichols, Grammar	1,008.00
No. 3.	Merrimack Elementary, ..	\$118.00
No. 3.	Dorothy King	900.00
No. 4.	Manchester Elementary ..	\$227.46
No. 5.	Mildred Kelley	846.00
No. 6.	Jennie Cashion, Primary	900.00
No. 6.	Edna Pressey, Grammar	900.00
No. 8.	Nettie Tarr	792.00
No. 9.	Transportation	576.00
No. 11.	Alice Damaziak	828.00

		\$7,038.00

6. *Text Books:*

Houghton Mifflin	\$128.17
American Book Co.	11.30
Row Peterson & Co.	53.73
Lyons & Carnahan	11.10
Little, Brown & Co.	16.30
World Book Co.	21.58
Rand, McNally & Co.	3.35
D. C. Heath	8.02
Ginn & Company	7.68
Charles Scribners Sons	2.70
Noble & Noble	2.20

	\$266.13

7. *Scholar's Supplies:*

Kenney Bros. & Wolkins	\$121.28
Edward & Babb & Co.	24.18
Harris & Gilpatric	2.27
J. L. Hammett Co.	19.51

P. J. Manning	1.00
William T. Thayer	4.00
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	\$172.24

9. Other Expenses of Instruction:

E. A. Stratton Co.	13.00
J. L. Hammett Co.	5.08
Public School Publishing Co.	2.91
World Book Co.	2.29
J. H. Hesser	2.75
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	\$26.03

10. Janitor's Service:

No. 1. John Quaid	\$150.00
No. 3. Dorothy King	21.00
No. 5. Mildred Kelley	21.00
No. 6. Charles O. Clapp	180.00
No. 8. Nettie Tarr	21.00
No. 11. Alice Damaziak	21.00
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	\$414.00

11. Fuel:

Fosher & Co.	\$217.39
Manchester Coal & Ice Co.	123.00
E. R. French	150.00
Charles Beede	50.00
A. F. Douville	27.50
George Tarr	30.00
C. Harry Gage	17.00
C. A. Tarr	20.00
Gustave Pearson	24.00
Ira Barr	2.00
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	\$660.89

12. Water, Light and Janitor's Supplies:

Manchester Traction, Light & Power Co.	\$38.40
Manchester Water Works, No. 6 School	20.20
Henry W. Parker	5.65
John B. Varick Co.	15.87
John Stevens .....	.85
J. Byron Tarney	1.55

	\$82.52

13. Minor Repair and Expenses:

Arthur W. Davis	\$2.00
John B. Varick Co.	19.20
Chester F. Jordon	131.55
Merrill Mannning	90.50
W. S. Manning	108.34
Max Raimig	32.00
J. A. McDerby	16.00
Charles E. Roy	180.00
C. E. Fairbanks	46.11
Charles O. Clapp	24.00
Willis Cushing	2.50
John Stevens	10.00

	\$662.20

14. Medical Inspection:

Edith G. Walker	\$480.00
John B. Hall Drug Co.	1.90
Dr. L. G. Dearborn	1.92
J. J. Moreau & Son	5.50

	\$489.32

15. *Transportation of Pupils:*

Roy Jenkins	\$576.00
<i>16. High School and Academy Tuition:</i>	
Milford	\$159.88
Manchester	1,885.34
Goffstown	120.00
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	\$2,165.22

17. *Elementary School Tuition:*

Manchester	\$227.46
Merrimack	118.00
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	\$345.46

22. *Alteratinions of Old Buildings:*

Fred W. French	\$127.51
<i>23. New Equipment:</i>	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$1.08
A. A. Mooney Furniture Co.	9.25
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	\$10.33

24. *Payments on Principal and Debt:*

John Daley	\$3,700.00
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25. *Payment of Interest on Debt:*

John Daley	\$470.84
Hattie Manning	100.00
Bertha French	100.00
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	\$670.84

26. *\$2 Tax:*

Henry E. Chamberlin, State Treasurer	\$488.00
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VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS.

(Registered in the Town of Bedford for the Year Ending
December 31, 1926.)

Date, Name of Child, Name of Father and Maiden Name of Mother.

1926

Jan. 2. Jeanne Cecelia LaMarine; Wilfred LaMarine and
Olivine Demers.

Feb. 16. Joseph Robert Edgar Paquin; Adolphe Paquin
and Lydia Marcotte.

28. John Lovewell Nyberg; Russell T. Nyberg and
Edna L. Thibetts.

Mar. 16. Marie Orize Monique Chaput; Joseph Chaput
and Aurelia Beaudet.

29. Joseph Bourque; Wilfrid Bourque and Marie
Louise Martel.

April 5. Norman Herbert Mabie; Percy R. Mabie and
Esther M. Campbell.

7. Robert James MacGregor; Pryde Kerr Mac-
Gregor and Pearl Alice Eastman.

19. Joseph Roger Lucien Adelard Fredette; Albert
Fredette and Emma Fredette.

June 11. Joseph Robert Renillard! Alphonse Renillard and
Alice Bouchard.

July 24. Lydia Louise Beland; Ernest E. Beland and
Yvonne Hebert.

25. Rene Joseph O'Nile Fortin; Amedee Fortin and
and Delia Tremblay.

Aug. 7. Marie Bella Helen Panneton; Arthur E. Pan-
neton and Florida Bellemore.

8. Dorothy Ellen Lundgren; John Lundgren and Dorothy Willey.
10. Sylvester Paige; Sylvester Paige and Mary Morrisey.
20. Paul Walker Johonnett; Henry E. Johonnett and Mildred M. Gilman.

Sept. 7. Marie Francoise Therese Laplante; Alfred Laplante and Elina Duperron.

8. Martha Woodbury Dunn; Frederick S. Dunn and Eliza Gordon Woodbury.
25. Lucien Leo Dionne; Ludoric Dionne and Hattie Gilman.

Oct. 31. Harold Chase Sargent; Dennis Sargent and Myrtie Whittemore.

Nov. 6. Christine Wiggin; George T. Wiggin and Bernice Hilchey.

9. William Stewart Miller; William Mayo Miller and Ora Agnes Hamel.
22. _____ Tremblay; Eugene Tremblay and Marie LaMay.

Dec. 27. Barbara Ann Wheeler; Ernest K. Wheeler and Agnes Mahoney.

1925

Oct. 1. Harry Edson Hutchinson; Harry Edson Hutchinson and Ella I. Ellison.

MARRIAGES.

Registered in the Town of Bedford, N. H., for the Year
 Ending December 31, 1926.

Date, Where Married, Names of Parties, and Names of Person Performing Ceremony.

1926

- Mar. 11. Bedford, Stanley Janroz and Nellie B. Tomasik; Rev. L. Dewey Burham.
- April 28. Manchester, James Ashburner and Katherine Glannon, Rev. John J. Boyd.
- May 25. Manchester, Joseph Hebert and Delphine Richard, Rev. E. Alix.
- June 15. Bedford, Percy Quentin Morse and Edith Nancy Buswell, Rev. Charles E. Beals.
- 23. Manchester, Israel Charles Latulippe and Mary Anna Delisle, Rev. A. J. Brunelle.
- July 7. Proctor, Vt., Frederick William French and Thyra Ellina Dockler, Rev. Arnold S. Yantis.
- Sept. 6. Manchester, William H. Champagne and Corinne Esther Royer, Rev. L. T. Laliberte.
- 9. Manchester, Ralph H. Nay and Alice E. Monahan, Rev. Charles E. Beals.
- 25. Pembroke, Donald Angus MacPhee and Gertrude Burke Roberts, Rev. E. C. Osborne.
- 20. Manchester, Osias Labrecque and Laura Labrecque, Rev. A. J. Brunnelle.
- Nov. 7. Bedford, Demetrios Voliotis and Panagiotes Francisko, Rev. Nestor Souslides.
- Dec. 20. Bedford, Andrew G. Hood and Bessie Minot, Rev. L. Dewey Burham.
- 22. Bedford, Lyman M. Kinson and Flora Heselton, Rev. L. Dewey Burham.
- 22. Manchester, Freeman Woodbury Porter and Gabrielle Desrochers, Rev. George A. Demers.
- 27. Manchester, Edward Buecher and Cora Beaupre, Rev. L. T. Laliberte.

DEATHS.

Registered in the Town of Bedford, N. H., for the Year
Ending December 31, 1926.

Date, Name and Age.

1926.

- Jan. 12. Mandanna Swain; 88 years.
- Feb. 28. Irene Gendron; 2 years.
- April 1. Joseph Bourque, 3 days.
- 19. Charles Sumner Davis; 84 years.
- June 13. John V. Konitsiotis; 4 years.
- July 25. Mary Merrill; 50 years.
- Oct. 28. James W. Dwire; 61 years.
- Nov. 7. Edwin E. Whitehouse; 63 years.
- 9. Harriette E. Woodbury, 89 years.
- 29. Addie M. Parkhurst; 93 years.

The following have been brought here for burial: William E. Goodhue; Alice Vincent; Julia Hodgman; William F. Burns; Arthur Jenkins; Walter C. Lewis; Catherine Blanchard; James L. Mitchell.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns of Births, Marriages and Deaths are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MARTHA F. WIGGIN,
Town Clerk.

